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15th Century Italian Artist

Helicopter Flight In Spanish Guinea

An experimental helicopter flight in Spanish Guinea between the capital city of Santa Isabel and the city of San Carlos was made on November 22. According to Carlos Lenze, Barquillo 29, Madrid, Spain a special cachet was used on covers carried not only between the two cities, but also to mail carried to all parts of the world.

Mr. Lenze advises that in spite of the short notice he was able to prepare a number of covers, there being a relatively small quantity making the flight.

Also revealed by Mr. Lenze are the denominations and designs of the annual semipostal sets to be issued by the three Spanish Colonies of Ifni, Spanish Guinea and Spanish Sahara next June. There will be 5c plus 5c, 15c plus 5c and 70c for each. Birds will be used in the designs, two to each set of three—Ifni is to have doves, Guinea Parrots and Sahara eagles.

Soon to appear is a commemorative which Spain will issue for the 20th anniversary of Gen. Francisco Franco's holding of the posts of Chief of State and Chief of the Army. Other than the bare announcement nothing else is known.

In December, from the northern zone of Morocco, will come a new airmail series of four stamps. Two of the denominations are 25c and 4.80 Pesetas—the other pair are not known. However the total face value is expected to be approximately 9.85Pts.

While northern Morocco is now independent of Spain, the government has asked the Spaniards to conduct the postal administration for some years until the time when native personnel is qualified to take over.



A First Day Cover bearing Syria's III Damascus Fair airmail set with regular Fair postmark and special first day of issue cancel.

Syrian Air Commems Give Damascus Fair Trip

Bruce Conde

Syria's new airmail commemoratives for the III Damascus International Fair are a great improvement over earlier Fair issues and minus the semipostal monkey-business that brought last year's set to grief. Their face value is only £1.50, or 45c U.S.

The five-value issue, whcih went on sale with the opening of the Fair on September 1, by Syrian President Shukri al-Kuwatly, was designed by a whole panel of competent artists, some of whose names appear on the stamps, and was printed at the Government Offset Press.

As the permanent fair grounds are located along the River Barada and overflow into the grounds of the National Museum, fair visitors have often admired a remarkable piece of restoration work by Syria's efficient Department of Antiquities, which has provided attractive subject material for the 15 piaster low value drawn by M. Kubsheh.

Out in the Palmyrene desert, more than half way between Damascus and Queen Zenobia's ruined capital city of Palmyra, lie the desolate ruins of a pleasure palace of the mighty Ommayads, 7th and 8th centur. Syrian Arab emperors whose Caliphate of Islam extended from Spain and southern France to India.

The twin gate towers of this once lovely structure had fallen into a shapeless heap of stones, but Syria's archaeologists pieced them together painstakingly, like a jig-saw puzzle, and the splendid portal was reconstructed as the north wall of the west ("desert palace") wing of the National Museum. Parts of the inner court and rooms were faithfully reproduced inside the wing, and the whole ensemble has proven immensely popular with fair-goers.

Thus, the Gate of Kasr al-Heir West appears, appropriately enough, on the 15 piaster grey (postal card rate) stamp of the III Fair set. A view of the similar (but less c:nate) gate of Kasr al-Heir East, still standing in situ far to the east of Palmyra, another hunting lodge of the fabulous Ommayads, is shown on Syria's 1940 pictorials (Scott's 279-281).

The insignia peeping over the top of the gate is not, as some will

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Paintings Of Fra Angelico Have Appeared Frequently On Stamps In The Past 2 Years

Clare McAlister

Fra Angelico is one of the most familiar of Italian artists, but until 1955 could just barely be seen on stamps. Lately things have been improving along this line. For the little we know of his origin, we are indebted to one sentence in a 16th century chronicle. We owe much to Vasari for what we know of his later life and for early information concerning his paintings. Without Vasari's description, it would have been very difficult — if not impossible — for modern critics to make the comparisons which have enabled them to accept or reject certain painting, and portions of others, as the work of Angelico.

Fra Giovanni da Fiesole Angelico was born about 1387 and died in 1455, but what appears to be a large majority of his works are extant. Some authorities claim that as many as two hundred of his works have been preserved. The largest collection is naturally in Florence; but the remainder are scattered throughout the world, including more than a dozen in the United States. Yet, as we have said, there is little visible sign of him in our albums prior to 1955.

The question now raised is how much of the work shown on the stamps of 1955 and 1956, purportedly representing his paintings, are by his hand? Let's consider what authorities believe.

In 1953 Italy issued a 25 Lire stamp (Scott No. 630) to publicize the opening of an exhibition of the works of Signorelli. The shadowy figure in back of Signorelli's self-portrait is that of Fra Angelico. Not until 1955 do we obtain another glimpse of this great Florentine. Then two countries issued stamps representing frescos by him.

It is likely that Fra Angelico was summoned to Rome by Pope Eugenius IV and that he reached Rome late in 1446 or early in the following year. It also seems likely that the decoration of the Chapel of Pope Nicholas V was under way in the spring of 1447 and probably completed by the end of 1449.

Filling three sides of the small room, these frescos consist of three lunettes containing six scenes from the life of St. Stephen and three rectangular frescos beneath, containing five scenes from the life of St. Lawrence. It is an accepted fact that Fra Angelico had a number of painters to assist him in this great work. Among them was one Benozzo Gozzoli (1420/24-1498) whom we will again mention later.

On October 12, 1955 Italy issued two stamps to commemorate the 5th Centenary of the death of Fra Angelico. The 10 Lire stamp shows a detail from one of the St. Stephen frescos in the Chapel. It was desinged after the SAINT STEPHEN DISTRIBUTING ALMS and shows the detail of the left half of the fresco.

Of the portion shown on the stamp, that painted by Angelico is represented by the saint (who is invariably by Angelico), the acolyte in the left background, and the woman. The man with folded hands and the child in the foreground are now believed to have been painted by one of his assistants, although which one is not definitely known.

The 25 Lire of this issue shows the right portion of SAINT LAWRENCE DISTRIBUTING A L M S. On the stamp only the sleeve of Saint Lawrence is visible although he is centered on the fresco. The only part visible on the stamp, which is believed by many authorities to have been painted by An-

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By actual count, there are 4718 new U.S. pricings, which is more than three times the 1431 reported for the 1956 edition.

The raises begin in the Postmasters' group, with the Annapolis 5c envelope leaping from $8000 to $15,000, and the Lockport 5c going from $6000 to $7500. The New York 5c is up to $150 unused and $75 used. The 20c St. Louis Bear on gray lilac goes from $1750 to $3000.

In the 1847 issue, the 5c used goes from $27.50 to $35, and the 10c used from $80 to $100. The 1875 reproductions of the first issue (Nos. 3-4) increase from $112.50 to $140 for the set.

Popular commemoratives have all been stepped up: The 1901 Pan-American set from $27.35 to $32.15 unused. Louisiana Purchase from $34.25 to $40.25 unused. Jamestown from $8.90 to $10.60. Panama-Pacific perf 12 from $31.50 to $37.50: the perf 10 from $94.50 to $106. Pilgrims from $5.05 to $6.30. Huguenot-Walloon's from $5.35 to $6.60. Lexington-Concord from $3.35 to $4.15. Norse-American from $4.75 to $5.90. White Plains souvenir sheet from $32.50 to $40. Byrd 3c souvenir sheet of 1934 from $3 to $4. APS 3c souvenir sheet of 1934 from $4.75 to $6.

Among the U. S. airmails, prices of Nos. C1-3 go from $17.25 to $21.50 unused, and from $10.75 to $14 used.

The outstanding listing revision in the U. S. section this year is the change of the 1916-17 5c carmine and 5c rose errors from minor to major numbers. This is actually a restoration of the major numbers (Nos. 467, 485 and 505) which they used to have 20 years ago.

In addition, major numbers have been restored or created for all of the various type varieties of the engraved 2c and 3c stamps of 1914-19, both sheet and coil printings, and of the 2c and 3c of the 1918-20 Offset issue. A total of 26 minors have turned into majors.

In 19th century U. S., the 1851-57 issue has been redated "1851-56." and the 1857-61 issue becomes "1857-60." In the 1857-60 issue, the 5c "Indian red" has been added as a major number (No. 28A); this stamp was formerly mentioned as a "henna red" shade of No. 28 in the U. S. Specialized Catalogue. Another newcomer to be found in the 1861 issue is the 3c "pigeon blood pink," which has been given No. 64a, while the 3c rose pink has been changed to No. 64b.

The editors have deleted the prices of No. 164, the 24c violet of the Continental Bank Note printing, and altered the footnote to say that this stamp cannot be distinguished from No. 153, the 24c National printing.

For the first time, the "R. F." (Republique Francaise) overprints on U. S. airmail stamps have been listed. Six types are listed on adhesive stamps and two types on stamped envelopes, with prices ranging from $4 to $15.

The Philippine handstamped "Victory" issue has acquired a new major listing, No. O40A, the 6c dark brown "O. B." stamp.

Colombia's SCADTA and "Navegacion Aerea" issues have been listed for the first time, under major numbers following No. C1. Other airmail stamps of Colombia have been renumbered to accommodate the 81 newcomers.

Forty-eight airmail stamps of the Philippines, previously listed as ordinary postage issues, have been transferred to the airmail section and given "C" numbers. These include the five special flight issues of 1926-36 — Madrid-Manila, London-Orient, etc.

Brazil's airmail "Dutra" souvenir sheet has been listed as No. C73A and priced at $17.50. It was formerly covered by a footnote after No. 674-76.

Throughout Volume I, a total of 24,500 prices have been changed or added, and of this total, 9127 will be found on the British Commonwealth pages. The new prices for Great Britain total 652; Brazil 859; Colombia 875; Mexico 744; Nicaragua 1215.

Latin American price changes are practically all on the upward side, and some of them have taken remarkable jumps. For instance, Venezuela No. 148, the 3B slate of 1903, head of Bolivar, has gone from $125 to $300.

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Double Reply Card Error Found

A legitimate error of printing which collectors can watch for when stocks of the new 8c International Postal cards reach their post offices was discovered by Thomas J. Flaherty of the Bronx, N. Y. on the first day of issue of these items at the ASDA National Postage Stamp Show November 16.

One of the first to purchase his requirements of these, Mr. Flaherty found the miscue on the Double Reply. One of these has directions in both English and French that the mailer is to use a certain side for addressing to the foreign correspondent, while the other card is for the use of the foreign correspondent to return it.

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The three-dimensional stamp designs which Italy had in the making for a number of months are soon ready for release according to Vittorio Lo Bianco, Inc. of New York City. They are to have values of 25 and 60 Lire and printed on unwatermarked, chalky paper.

The Mozart commem which Italy had planned may not now be issued. A delay has been announced with the chances good that it will not appear at all.

Italian Somaliland, the former Italian colony now being governed under a UN mandate by Italy, is preparing a set of five. These note the adoption of a coat of arms consisting of a silver star on a blue background, a leopard at each side and crossed olive branches.

Lo Bianco also forecasts another set from Vatican City before the end of 1956. To be honored is the national patroness of Poland, the "Black Madonna of Czestochowa". It will be known as the "Mater Poloniae" issue. The number of stamps, face value and release date are not known.

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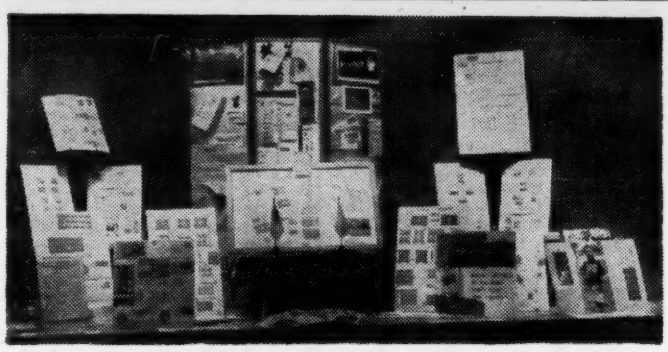
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Of considerable interest to collectors of Americana on Postage Stamps is the announcement that the British Colonial Postal Administration for St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla in the Leeward Islands will release a commem in honor of the 200th anniversary of birth of Alexander Hamilton.

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Face value is to be 24c which is equivalent to 14c U.S. money. The design will have the usual picture of the Queen and Crown plus a full length portrait of Hamilton against a pictorial background. The format is horizontal and the colors blue and green.

Sale will continue for four months unless stocks are sold out earlier.

It will be possible to obtain copies of this stamp at face value plus return postage and registration. Orders and remittances (money order or bank draft payable to the Postmaster, St. Kitts) are to be sent to the Postmaster. St. Christopher, Leeward Islands.

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More About "The Stamps Caspary Missed . . ."

Our recent editorials in which we quoted from the International Stamp News, published by the J. & H. Stolow Co. has brought more information on this subject. Our policy has always been to print the facts, print the truth and print the whole truth. In other words, we are glad to print both sides of any question, so that the reader can form his own conclusions. In this respect we are glad to print a couple of letters from Mr. Bernard Harmer of H. R. Harmer, Inc. of New York City, the auction house that is handling the Caspary sales.



GEORGE W. LINN

First is a letter of explanation as to why we are printing the second letter. You now have the facts, so form your own opinion. Here is the one from Bernard Harmer.

"October 24, 1956

"Mr. George Linn
"Howey in the Hills, Florida.

"Dear George:

"Seing your editorial 'A Philatelic Speculator' in the October 22nd issue of Linn's Stamp News, I am enclosing a copy of a letter I wrote to Julius Stolow which he acknowledged but presumably does not intend printing.

"I feel that whilst his article was interesting, it was biased and gave the impression that Mr. Caspary's sole interest was the purchase of stamps for profit and that he was less successful in this quest than if he had bought more recent issues.

"Sincerely yours,
"H. R. HARMER, INC.
"Bernard,
"Director"

Following is a letter addressed to Mr. Julius Stolow which explains from the viewpoint of Mr. Harmer, just what Mr. Caspary did take an interest in and why he did it.

"September 24, 1956

"Mr. Julius Stolow
"50 West 46th Street
"New York 36, New York
"Dear Julius:

"I read with interest your discourse 'The stamps Caspary missed' but feel you have overlooked several important points.

"Firstly, Mr. Caspary was a collector, not only of stamps, but of objets d'art — pictures, antique furniture, rare porcelains, silver, etc. He had therefore the predominant love of such persons for 'old' things. In his stamp collecting, undoubtedly this desire for the 'old' stamps, the classics, was a natural inclination and a lack of interest for new stamps would not be unnatural.

"Secondly, I consider you have over emphasized his consideration of the future potential return that different categories of stamps might have brought forth. There is little doubt that he was well aware that purchases of big rarities such as the Mauritius 'Post Paid' 1p block, could show little appreciation, compared with the same money expended on many hundreds of smaller quality stamps.

"Equally however there is little doubt that his love of the great classics was such that he desired to own such a piece and purchased it fully knowing that it was not an investment in comparison to other items.

"Naturally in buying the stamps that he desired, he considered the question of price and refused items which he considered were over-priced at the time. I feel however that he did not consider future potentialities of such purchases, only the correctness of the current asking price.

"Thirdly I do not believe that, as you worded it, he distrusted what was current. He just wasn't interested!

"The answer to his collecting desires and consequently the contents of his collection is best summed up by the well-worn French phrase 'Chacun a son gout'.

"Sincerely yours,
"H. R. HARMER, INC.
"Bernard,
"Director"

In addition to the above we also have a letter from a gentleman who was very close to Mr. Caspary and who perhaps knows more about the Caspary purchases and his stamp collection than any other man. Let me quote this letter also.

"Dear George:

"Another good editorial. However I would like to comment on the Stolow article. No one, including Caspary, could keep up with all the stamps. Ferrari stopped at about 1910 and of course after that came the deluge.

"Besides this I think even Caspary was able to spend enough money for the older stamps. Not that he ever ran out of funds. It would take quite a pocketbook to buy all the old issues as well as the new stamps. I find that most people bite off more than they can chew financially.

"There is one piece of misinformation in the Stolow story. Caspary actually stopped at about 1890, more or less from choice. He was not arbitrary and did not dislike **all** recent stamps.

"He did however have some Twentieth Century U. S. stamps which I am sure he sold years ago. However in this next sale Part VI you will note a 1c Pan American Invert which cost him $5.00. I think he also had a large block of these stamps, sixteen or so, or at any rate a very large piece which he sold or traded off at a big price some years ago. He had the 2c Pan American Invert which he paid $75.00 for and I sold it for him for $2000.00. He also had a set of Columbian blocks which he bought about 1910 or 1912 at 20% below face and which was sold at a very handsome figure some years ago. It is my impression that he also had some other odds and ends at various times.

"Sincerely,
"Ezra D. Cole"

It is of course probably true that Mr. Caspary was first of all a connoisseur of fine stamps, the choicer early items, just as one may gather art treasures. Anyone who will examine the catalogues of the sale to this date will readily note that no country is carried through to completion except perhaps a few of the older German States and such issues. In modern countries, there is no evidence of any attempt to collect the country complete, such as for instance United States or Canada.

The Caspary method however is only for men who have a very fat pocketbook. For the common man, who has to have constant acquisitions to his collection in order to keep up interest, the collecting of the later issues is perhaps the logical plan and even thus, if carefully selected and kept for a period of years as were the Caspary stamps, one is certain to find he has acquired a splendid lot that should bring a satisfactory return, for where else, in what hobby can one spend his money and then cash in on it in later years.

SMILEATELICS . . . . Bob Rieker



Waddya' got in miniature sheets?"

Pajama Clad Boy On Finnish Seal

The Christmas seals from the Union of South Africa are issued in se tenant pairs in the sheet one inscribed in English and the other in Afrikaans. The design is quite simple consisting of a green fir tree, Christmas stars, and the Cross of Lorraine. Other than the tree the color is a magenta.



Finland's seal has a Christmassy theme in that it shows a small boy clutching a toy horse before a candle-lit Christmas tree.



The colors are a dark brown background, a golden brown for the child's pajamas, and a red for the double-barred cross.



From Portugal comes a "mother and child" design for the seal. The entire background is a solid yellow, the cross in a rose, the letters "BCG" in red and other colors, green, blue and buff.

According to the Tatham Stamp & Coin Co., Springfield, Mass. which supplied the seals and information, the Portuguese seal also comes without "NATAL" overprint.

Open House Scheduled For Wichita Stamp Club

It may be a cold day in Kansas, Sunday, December 2, but members of the Wichita Stamp Club will be holding a warm "Open House" for all stamp collectors and even those people who think they might enjoy the hobby of philately.

The doors to St. Anthony's Recreation Center, 2nd and Ohio, will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

There will be no admission charge and the day will be spent trading, selling, buying and talking stamps. An auction will be held at 2:30 p.m. There will be only a half dozen frames of stamps on display—just enough to give any interested person a full general view of this fascinating hobby. And plenty of collectors will be on hand to explain any of the fine points.

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1041 — Independence Hall 10c, Philadelphia, Pa., July 4.
1042—Monticello 20c, Charlottesville, Va., April 13.
1047 — Hamilton $5, Paterson, N. J., March 19.
1073—Ben Franklin 3c, Philadelphia, Pa. January 17.
1074—Booker T Washington 3c, Booker Washington Birthplace, Va., April 5.
1075 — FIPEX 11c Souvenir Sheet, April 28, New York, N. Y
1076 — FIPEX 3c, New York, N. Y., April 30.
1077 — Wild Turkey 3c, Fond du Lac, Wis., May 5.
1078 — Antelope 3c, Gunnison, Colo., June 22.
1079—3c Salmon, Seattle, Wash. November 9.
1080 — Pure Food Law 3c, Washington, D. C., June 27.
1081—3c Wheatland, Lancaster, Pa., August 5.
1082 — 3c Labor Day, Camden, N. J., September 3
1083—3c Nassau Hall, Princeton, N. J., September 22.
1084—3c Devils Tower, Devils Tower, Wyo., September 24.
UC 24—FIPEX 6c airmail envelope, New York, N. Y., May 2.
UX44—FIPEX 2c postal card, New York, N. Y., May 4.
UX45—4c International Postal Card, New York, N.Y., November 16.
UY78—4c + 4c International Double Reply Card, New York, N.Y., November 16.

UNITED NATIONS

December 10 — Human Rights Day, 3c and 8c.

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US NOTES

CARL P. RUETH

Just back from the ASDA Show in New York City. There's an important piece of information which I am sure all of you who collect the UN stamps will want to know.

The UN Postal Administration will not print additional quantities of the UN Day commems of October 24.

You will remember that after the sale of such stamps had gone on for a couple of hours the clerks at the sales counter were instructed to sell no more than a half sheet to each customer. Many never even got a set of singles and if they wanted those they had to buy them from a dealer or collector at **several times the face value right on the first day day of issue.**

Now even the "cat and dog" post office departments of the less philatelic reputable nations of the world do better than that. In my opinion this latest thoughtless, crass and irresponsible handling of a postal issue on top of the similar ignorant manipulations on several previous occasions by the UN postal officials should bring the house down on their heads.

You who got a trimming on the present issue or previous ones can do this to help yourselves. Write a letter of protest to U.S. Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge, United Nations, United Nations, N.Y., using that address. Tell him what your objections are and why the present way of doing things in the UNPA is absolutely against philatelic good practise and taste. Maybe if he hears from enough of you we will be able to get the stupes out of the key spots from which the damage is coming.

If the other departments and agencies of the UN operated with the same type performance as the postal administration, they might as well shove the entire business in the East River, rope off the area, and erect a sign at the spot saying, "A Monument To Utter Failure."

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1. On what denomination of the Presidential series is President Rutherford B. Hayes pictured?

2. On what denomination of the same series is President Grover Cleveland seen?

Everyone seemed quite pleased with the stamp on the postal cards released at the ASDA Show. I heard a lot of comments about it and not one of them was adverse.

Show attendees bought and had a lot of cards cancelled but most of these were carry-outs and did not go through the regular mail channels. Seems as though a cancelled, unaddressed item looked better to most than one which had gone through the mail.

The double-reply card could be sent to someone in a foreign country and then returned by him with the addition of on further postage. Such cards will have a bit more significance and value in the long run than just the one postmark at the New York post office.

I don't know how many collectors used the same foresight as Robert G. Rank of Union, N.J. in mailing a card to a foreign destination and getting it back right away, but he came up with a simple and clever arrangement.

He mailed cards to the Dispatcher at the UN Post Office who then refolded, and cancelled them and sent them on to the addressees. Thus, there is the U.S. and foreign cancel on each card respectively.

For the first day ceremony launching the postal cards on Friday November 16 both the Post Office Department and the American Stamp Dealers' Assn. had souvenir programs. The former was a mimeographed four-page affair, while the ASDA item was of the more formal kind, well printed, and with a space for a copy of one of the cards. There weren't many of the latter — while each person at the ceremony who wanted one was given a copy, the extras all disappeared quickly afterwards. I am sure the ASDA office has none available.

They always seem to have the best of the postal personnel manning the exhibition station post office. These men remain unruffled, at least on the surface, do an efficient and meticulous job, and keep the lines and their inhabitants moving and happy. I never counted but there were about ten windows from which one could make purchases of the cards, and all kinds of commems — they always had lines before them.

Murray Hagler was in charge of the ASDA post office.

Those genial POD ambassadors from Washington Bob Fellers, Director of the Division of Philately, and Stanley Hodziewich, Curator of the Department's Museum, were on hand for various ceremonies and lending a hand to everyone who called on them.

Mr. Fellers and I were both at the NBC Studios in Radio City for an interview with Walter Law who conducts the Stamp Club of the Air, sponsored by the Washington Press which produces the White Ace Albums and the Artcraft cacheted envelopes. The interviews will be broadcast in the next few weeks.

Nice surprise awaiting the return from the big city. The American Topical Assn. sent their ATA Recognition Emblem for ". . . . . your continued cooperation for over seven years has helped develop the ever-growing an enthusiastic interest in topical collecting and the American Topical Assn."

This is a most generous gesture which is greatly appreciated.

We must certainly, however, not lose sight of the fact that this relatively young international group has been blessed with about as enthusiastic and self-sacrificing a bunch of officers and members as any I have ever known. The growth and advancement of the ATA has been in their hands and they have made accomplishments.

Just in case you might be interested in further information about the ATA write to Jerome Husak, 3306 N. 50th St., Milwaukee 16, Wis.

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1. The 19c.
2. The 22c.

Desirable Features In American Catalog

If collectors were to name the things they'd like most in a reference book about United States stamps, and a number of them were surveyed as to their likes and dislikes in this instance, the book which would probably meet the most of such preferences is the "New American Stamp Catalog — 1957 Edition".

This is the third edition of a semi-specialized reference book which Minkus Publications, Inc., 115 W. 30th St., New York, N.Y. first released in 1954 as competition to the established Scott contemporary publication. The editor-in-chief is George A. Tlamsa.

One of the most notable and pleasing things the user will find is that the information he wants and needs at the moment to identify the stamps he has is figuratively right at his fingertips. As for instance with the "Farleys" of 1935 and their position and identification designations. The catalog does not just mention such things as a cross gutter block, or a block with horizontal gutter, or arrow block, or center-line block, it actually pictures these things right with the listings.

The collector is left with no doubts as to what is indicated, and once he sees a picture of the term, that bit of education is bound to remain for life. The same goes for such things as a coil pair, or line coil pair.

Where there are several issues with the same designs the catalog has a chart where all are listed with the differences between them read at a glance. One does not have to hunt through several pages to check all possible varieties.

The Bank Note issues of the 19th century have always been tough nuts for the inexperienced collector to handle. With the large and clear illustrations in the American, plus the concise text on the item at point, doubts are liquidated.

Included are sections for the Confederates, the various U.S. Possessions, Administrations and Occupations and the UN.

The 244 pages are bound between hard cloth covers. Distribution of the American Stamp Catalog is through Grossett & Dunlap. It can be purchased at stamp stores throughout the nation at $3 per copy.

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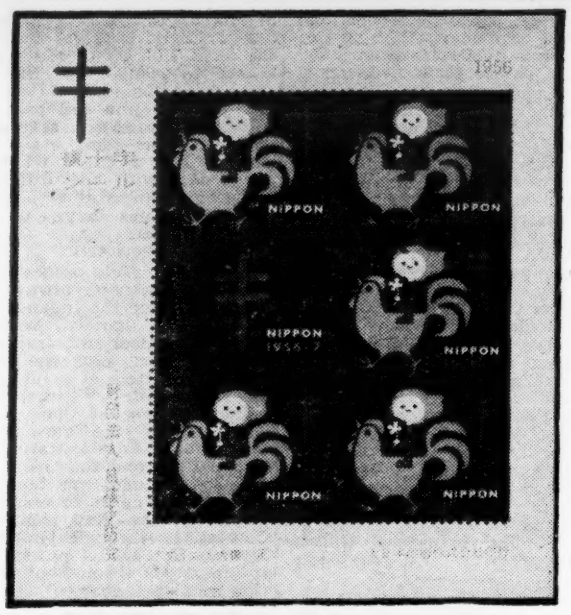
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FRA ANGELICO
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gelico, is this sleeve. The four male figures shown are now thought to have been painted by Benozzo Gozzoli.

On June 27, 1955, the Vatican Postal Administration release two commemoratives to mark the 5th Centenary of Fra Angelico's death. They have a common design and once again the design is after the series in the Nicholas Chapel. They show a detail of SAINT LAWRENCE BEING ORDAINED AS A DEACON BY POPE SIXTUS II. The central portion of the fresco is represented by the stamps which show 5½ of the ten individuals in the original fresco. Although this painting is conceeded to have been done largely by Angelico, the Deacon is believed to have been painted by Gozzoli.

The next set to show the work of Angelico is again from the Vatican, which issued three commemoratives on November 28, 1955 to mark the 5th centenary of the death of Pope Nicholas V. They show only the detail of the head of the Pope (which is, of course, the head of Pope Sixtus II) from the fresco SAINT LAWRENCE RECEIVING THE TREASURES OF THE CHURCH in the Pope Nicholas V chapel. The portrait of the pope is quite definitely attributed to Angelico, although the work of Gozzoli is noticed in some of the fresco's figures not shown on the stamp.

Spain issued, on October 12, 1956 the last, so far, of the Angelico stamps — so called. This 80c item for Stamp Day shows the head of the Archangel Raphael from an ANNUNCIATION in the Prado. This painting is an altarpiece. Most of the modern critics (Berenson is one of the more important critics who has objected) believe this ANNUNCIATION to be by Zanobi Strozzi, rather than Fra Angelico, although the composition of the main panel is closely related to that of Angelico's great ANNUNCIATION fresco at San Marco.

The history of the altarpiece from which this stamp was designed seems to be rather clear and has been shown by John Pope-Hennessy in his **Fra Angelico** published in 1952 by the Phadion Publishers. It was originally in San Domenico, where it is described by Vasari. It was sold to Duke Mario Farnese in 1611, but subsequently passed to the Duque de Lerma and was installed in the Church of the Dominicans at Valladolid.

It was later moved to the Monastero de las Descalzas Reales, Madrid, and in 1861 was transferred to the Prado. Although Sanchez-canton, in the **Catalogo de los Cuadros** of the Prado attributes this painting to Fra Angelico, it is not reproduced in **Art Treasures of the Prado Museum**, with a foreword by Sanchez-Canton.

One would think that if he were sure of its being an Angelico, a reproduction of it would have been shown as the Prado has [illegible]. (They do have a **Madonna and Child with two Angels** in the style of Fra Angelico).

Of course, after so many centuries and in the case of unsigned paintings, it will probably be impossible to state with certainty that some paintings, or portions thereof, are or are not the work of a particular master. We have given only what appears to be a concensus.

If you are interested in information of this kind on either great or lesser works of art, I would suggest the Fine Arts Unit of the American Topical Assn. Its official publication, the FINE ARTS PHILATELIST covers just such information on paintings, sculpture, and architecture. I understand a sample copy can be gotten from Miss Beatrice Berner, 6 Wayland Dr., Verona, N.J., for 25c.

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SYRIAN AIR
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suppose, of Soviet origin but the official symbol of the III Fair (a head of wheat, representing the primarily agricultural Arab Middle East, crossed diagonally over a cog wheel, symbolizing efforts at rapid industrialization, with three stars to indicate the 3rd year of the Fair).

Actually, East-West rivalry is high in bidding for Arab sympathy and support at the great annual emporium of the Middle East states. Britain, who stubbornly refused to participate in the I and II Fairs in 1954 and 1955, blossomed out with the most extensive pavilion on the grounds, making a strong bid to popularize British exports to offset unfavorable impressions created through Mr. Eden's rather bellicose Suez canal moves.

Soviet Russia, plays second fiddle to the West this year, with America following immediately afterwards. U. S. and Russian helicopters are busy vying for favor in carrying Fair patrons over Damascus, to the tunes of an Eastern European satelite orchestral contribution. Red China, which stole the show at the 1st Fair, has been quietly consolidating commercial and cultural gains in the Middle East ever since and does not have to make the 1953 splurge again, which has given western Europe, Germany in particular, more prominence.

Syria's own products and ideology are featured on the rest of the set and reflect the theme note of all Arab state exhibits.

On the 20 piaster ultramarine, for example, we see the humming power looms of a modern spinning and weaving plant, while above, like a shadow of the past is a handloom worker still producing the famous Damascus silk brocade that cannot be duplicated by machinery anywhere in the world.

The Fair inscription (which is at the bottom of the 15 piaster value) appears at top in Arabic and bottom in French, with designer Abandowitz' name cleverly worked into the right end of the power loom, reading up.

For the 30 piaster dark green, artist Abandowitz features a modern tractor at work on one of Syria's Middle West-like wheatfields, either in the northern Jazireh or the southern Hauran, both vast breadbasket areas of the ancient Roman province of Syria 2000 years ago. Memories of ancient methods, still employed on small farms in isolated areas are seen above, where a shadowy ox (animal topicals!) pulls a sharpened bent branch or iron-tipped plow.

Designer "E", whose work is generally less attractive than that of Messrs. Kubsheh and Abandowitz, is responsbile for the 35 and 50 piaster high values, which, although they may photograph better for illustrations, are lacking in clarity and inappropriately colored, for close inspection.

The 35pi. blue features a Phoenician ship emerging from the Fair symbol. Syria, as much as Lebanon, occupies some of the ancient Phoenician coast, including the island-kingdom of Aruad, (which, in 1916, had its own postage stamps in the form of French Levant issues overprinted **"ILE ROUAD"**), and the mainland city state of Ugarit, at Ras Shamra, where the world's oldest phonic alphabet was devised in the 14th or 15th Centuries B.C. a clay tablet showing this alphabet (in the later Greek order) is on display in the National Museum and is usually seen by fair visitors. At any rate this attempt will make the ship topical class, where Phoenician galleys are scarce.

What is intended to be a display of Syrian ceramics, mosaic inlay and Damascene brocade is jumbled together unconvincingly on the 50 piaster lake (too bad, as it will be the basic stamp to pay, with the 15 piaster value, the airmail rate to America). All of these subjects, if shown separately, would make stunning stamp designs in honor of Syria's and Damascus' wonderful handicraft industries, but Mr. "E" does not give them much of a chance in his cluttered-up high value design.

It is hard, at first glance, to see that the Arabesques occupying the entire right half of the stamp are, actually, part of a large vase, with an inlaid mosaic box on the table behind it and a drape of Damascene brocade in the background.

Two cancels appear on the first day cover illustrated above. Stamps appear in Arabic order, right to left. The first postmark, which actually ties the stamps to cover, is the regular Fair post office cancel to be used throughout the whole month of the event. Its date band (1-9-56 in this case) is between an Arabic inscription (top) which reads: **"3 Damascus International Fair"** and a French one (bottom simply reading **"International Fair of Damascus"**.

The other, used only on September 1 (and usually tying the stamps to cover, without using the regular Fair cancel, on most FDC'S) is larger (35 instead of 30mm), and has bilingual inscriptions commemorating the **"First Day, 3rd International Fair of Damascus, 1 Sept. 1956"**

The corner card of the envelope merely says "Commemorative Stamps, 3rd Damascus International Fair, 1956" and is equivalent to our own "First Day Cover" imprints. The addressee, by the way, is one of the few struggling stamp dealers in Lebanon's northern metropolis of Tripoli (once seat of the federal parliament of the Phoenician city states of Aruad, Sidon and Tyre, thus **"Tripolis"** or "The Three Cities"), often depicted on Lebanese stamps. Dealer Antoine is in the process of moving to the more congenial cosmopolitan city, Beirut, where he will become the 21st local dealer.

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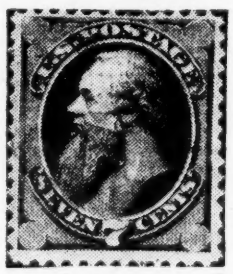
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66-69	New Year	.90	1.65	3.65	1.00	.90
70-71	Weizmann	.39	.50	1.55	.50	.40
72	Bilu	.27	.46	1.30	.45	.27
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86	Herzl ..	.18	.24	.80	.50	.10
87	Festival	.05	.08	27	.30	.04
88-89	Tabim ..	.23	.39	1.15	.60	.22
90	Rothschild	.26	.29	1.05	.50	.24
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93	Independ.	.15	.30	.60	.45	.15
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104	Ambulance	.12	.15	.55	.35	.10
105-16	Tribes	.85	.95	3.60	1.45	.60
117	Einstein	.26	.29	1.10	.50	.24
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Latest British Commonwealth arrivals on Nassau St. include two very attractive complete QEII pictorial issues, Virgin Islands (½c to $4.80) and Ascension (½d to 10/-), both strong sellers. Also additional values of Jamaica (8d, 1/-, 1/6 and 2/-) and a 10/- of Malta. Commemorative issues newly received are North Borneo's four brand new "charter" pictorials and the Seychelles' two "monument" stamps. In short, November has brought some fine newcomers that will please all British Colonial fans.

The **Pitcairn Islands** issue recently forecast in this column has now reached the production stage on the presses of De La Rue & Co. Each design will include a portrait of the Queen as well as the Royal Crown and all stamps will be of identical size (33.3mm x 27mm), engraved and in two colors.

When we first started this column over a year ago, we cautioned collectors against rushing out and acquiring used copies of the then new **Great Britain** Queen Elizabeth high values. We predicted that the 10/- would eventually sell for a quarter and the Pound value for a half a dollar. An irate dealer wrote to say that these figures were preposterous, that these stamps could never go down that far and that our comments needlessly interfered with his business.

Well, perhaps prices for select used copies of these two top values haven't as yet dropped to the levels we predicted at retail, but wholesalers abroad already offer good average copies at approximately 25c and 50c respectively. It seems that it is only a matter of time until our forecast will come true at the retail level as well since with each passing day thousands upon thousands of additional used copies theoretically become available to the philatelic market

But—our critic may yet have the last laugh! These denominations have thus far been turned out by Waterlow & Sons, but the printing contract for them for 1957 has been awarded to De La Rue & Co.! If these should be any decided differences between the finished products of the two rival firms, then the market for used copies of the original Waterlow printing would undoubtedly harden.

Great Britain collectors will recall that the King George V high values, Scott type A91, were originally printed by Waterlow in 1913, then by De La Rue in 1915 and Bradbury, Wilkinson got into the act between 1918 and 1930. Waterlow regained the contract once more in 1934. Although all of these printings show the same watermark and perforation, they can be readily distinguished by differences in the colors and the engraving. The Scott numbers of these are #173-175a, 179-181 and 222-224. Only one printing type of the Pound stamp exists, Scott #176.

In those days the demand for such a high value was quite limited (a Pound was considered a fair weekly wage for a laborer before World War I) and the catalogue quotations bear out that relatively few copies performed postal duty. Apparently, the original supply ordered from the Waterlow firm sufficed for a very long time, or else the authorities figured that two 10/- stamps would do just as well where one Pound postage was required. In fact, the next Pound denomination did not appear until the Silver Wedding issue of 1948.

It will be interesting to see whether the new De La Rue printings will differ sufficiently to warrant catalogue recognition. Our own guess is that some of the British dealers who thrive on "fly-speck" varieties and color variations hardly visible to the ordinary mortal will examine the new printings with great determination until they do find some differences. With enough will power, they'll surely turn up something!

New Zealand's 75th Anniversary of the Meat Export Trade commemoratives, 4d and 8d, ought to be best-sellers! Aside from British Commonwealth collectors, the ever-increasing army of topicalists will surely want these, too. Advance photos show lambs on both values, plus a map of New Zealeand on the 4d and an old-fashioned sailing ship and a modern ocean vessel on the 8d. Thus animal, map and ship collectors will all be interested, therefore this looks like a good bet investment-wise.

Two other sound buys are Great Britain, Offices in Eritrea, J6-10, Scott $1.03 and the same set of Tripolitania, Scott $1.35. These sets are currently being offered in London **as a special bargain** at $1.50 each, mint or used! Don't delay!

Do you know the elegant way of saying "lower left corner block"? A leading London auctioneer always refers to this as a "southwest corner block", or whatever the position may be.

Zanzibar has ordered a new set of pictorials and two of the forthcoming stamps will be based on a design submitted by a United States artist, William J Jennings. The denominations will be the same as those of the 1952 issue, Scott #230-243 except that a 1/25c value will be added. This is therefore a good time to make sure that you have the current set, an item that will bear watching, mint or used.

The **Gold Coast** is about to end its long and interesting philatelic history when it becomes the dominion of **Ghana** next March. It is possible to pick up the complete used QEII set, ½d to 10/-, Nos. 148 to 159, for around $2 today and at this low price it figures to be a good investment.

Egyptian imperforates are now being offered in England and the interesting fact is that these are **not** the special King Farouk imperfs on thick paper and imprinted "cancelled" on the back! These are the regular stamps on regular watermarked paper. Retail prices for imperforate pairs show a wide range! By Scott numbers these and their approximate values are—

242	$11.00
243	15.00
245 yellow green	13.50
245 deep green	20.00
246	40.00
247	18.00
248	20.00
249	18.00
250	13.50
251	40.00
267	13.50
268	25.00
269	30.00
269A	25.00
288	20.00
289	190.00
295	190.00

Specialists are often in a quandry when material of this nature comes on the market. Sometimes prices come down and on other occasions the items in question rapidly disappear from the scene altogether! But the gambling instinct in stamp collectors is quite strong and we venture a guess that quite a few Egypt specialists are going to make out some substantial checks in the very near future!

The second volume of the new Minkus World-Wide Postage Stamp Catalogue 1957 ($5) has just made its debut and it is fully as outstanding a job as the first volume which comprised US and British Commonwealth. Three countries listed by Scott in their Volume I have been wisely switched to the "Independent Countries of Asia and Africa" by the Minkus editors and will thus be found in the newly released volume. These are: Egypt, Iraq and Nepal.

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114 Very Fine	.35	177	4.20
124 Fine ...	1.75	190	.22
125	.15	191A	.15
128	.20	193	.18
129	.10	194	.35
130	1.10	198	1.50
134	.20	202	.40
135	.30	203	1.30
139	2.25	204	.40
140	.65	205	.15
141	.12	206	.20
143	.18	207	.15
145	.28	208	.20
154	.22	209	1.10
155	.22	210	.30
156	.28	214	.20
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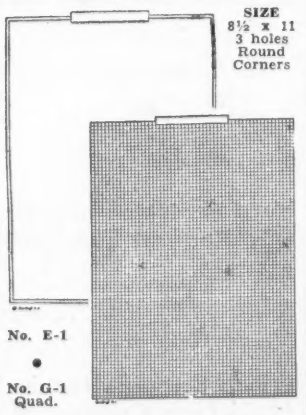
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391—2c Carmine	2.50	5.50
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394—4c Brown	3.25	6.50
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412—1c Green	.65	1.30
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17-18	1.50	9.50	1.50	1.90 2 cover
19-20	.50	4.00	.50	1.00 2 cover
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23-24	1.10	7.50	1.10	1.25 2 cover
25-26	.55	4.25	.55	1.00 2 cover
27-28	.55	4.25	.55	1.00 2 cover
29-30	1.75	14.00	1.75	2.00 2 cover
31-32	.50	4.00	.50	1.00 2 cover
33-34	.60	4.50	.60	1.00 2 cover
35-37	.80	6.00	.80	1.50 3 cover
38 Souv. Sheet	5.50	—	—	8.50 1 cover
39-40	.35	3.25	.35	.65 2 cover
41-42	.35	3.25	.35	.65 2 cover
43-44	.25	3.25	.35	.65 2 cover
45-46	.35	3.25	.35	.65 2 cover
47-48 Dec. 10th	.15	1.15	.15	.50 2 cover
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Minkus New American Catalog Lists Portsmouth Provisional

The editorial board of the New American Postage Stamp Catalog, 1957 Edition, has announced that the Portmouth (Ohio) Postmaster's Provisional, subject of considerable publicity in past years, will be listed in their catalog. They are basing their inclusion of the scarce item on the findings of the Philatelic Foundation, which issued a Certificate of Authenticity, and on their own independent investigations.

The cover, which is pictured herewith, bears a printed stamp, apparently made up from ornamental type-blocks, framing the figure 5. In addition, there is a "PAID" handstamp, and the circular date stamps with the Portsmouth markings. At the time of the Philatelic Foundation investigation all these markings were probed with microphotography, inks were tested, paper checked — and after exhaustive research, it was certified as "A genuine Postmaster's Provisional" — in the words of the Certificate. The Minkus editorial board also considered much evidence brought to light since then.

The item carries Minkus No. PM19A, and is as yet unpriced, since only two of these covers are known, and no price data is available. It is shown as a "type-set letter sheet", and the color is black on grayish. It is on wove paper, and was used in 1846.

This cover is in the collection of George W. Linn, Howey in the Hills, Fla., senior editor of Linn's Weekly Stamp News.

PLATE BLOCK THOUGHTS and COMMENTS

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THE TEMPO OF PLATE BLOCK COLLECTING

This subject can be brought into lively discussion from many different points of view, on a wide scale, as it would effect plate block collectors as a whole, and various phases of this field more specifically. At this time I would like to touch on, rather lightly, the regular issues namely the Liberty series. Figuratively speaking, this is a new set which started coming out in 1954. The whole set is 18 different values, six denominations coming out each year in three successive years. The last of these was released July 4, 1956.

Unlike the previous regular Presidentials of 1938, which had 32 different values, on the basis of statistics, the Post Office Department was able to determine that only 18 different denominations would be adequate to do the job of supplying the least amount of postage stamps to mail packages and letters with equal convenience.

For the collector of plate blocks of the regular issues, especially those who try to get all positions this adds up to a big saving of time and money. It also follows that the plate block dealer, in proportion, benefits as well.

The statistics of the last regular issue series, to some degree, is a fair guide to how many plate numbers are used for the higher than 3c denominations in carrying the mails. Of these we notice that most values use very few plate numbers and the round figures, like 5c, 10c and 20c, etc. have a few more plate numbers than the others. At the present rates, the most popular values are the 3c, followed by the 2c. Of these, the total plates used far outnumber all the others and in fact the combination of these two, the 2c and 3c, probably equals or outnumbers all others combined.

Up to date one sad and discouraging feature in pursuing and collecting the regular issues has been the fact that unlike the commemoratives, only the first two plate numbers, in all positions, are available to collectors, from the Philatelic Agency. This situation leaves it more or less to luck, and much of hustling, with frequent disappointment to the collectors who wish and try to keep up with all new plate numbers subsequent to the first two.

Many collectors have frequently expressed hope that some time in the future that a change may take place whereby the Agency would favorably consider the availability of all new plate numbers on all postage stamps, which would be to the best interests of all collectors and stamp dealers, and no less to the Agency. In recent years many changes have been made, which reflect the sincere effort of the POD and the Philatelic Agency, to benefit collectors, and the Department alike. We hope this will continue in the future.

The veteran and the collector of long experience in plate numbers, who has experienced all kinds of adverse conditions, and who has displayed patience, has been well rewarded in acquiring the many plate numbers and positions that come out ever so often on the most common values, such as the 2c and 3c stamps.

The methods adopted for obtaining all positions on these two most popular values is infinite and varied. Few choose the same procedure. The collector of many years will tell you that desperation to obtain the latest numbers and positions will soon tire you out and have discouraging effects. Since all new and recent numbers have wide distribution to all parts of the country it is anyone's guess where they may be found.

Best results, and frequently most complete collections, have come about from a calm, but consistent effort, where moderation is exercised to sustain enthusiasm, where the apparently common plate numbers, though plentiful, appear temporarily obscured, due to distribution of the 3c stamps to unknown sections of the country.

While the Liberty series is still new and young, it has attracted many more new collectors of plate numbers in all positions. Unaware that unlike the commemoratives that have only a few plate numbers, and all are available at the Agency for a long time, the feeling is that these regular Liberty issues would be equally as easy. That is not so. The seasoned and serious collector realizes the fact that attaining a representative collection of the regular series is a more challenging undertaking, for which the accomplishment is marked with greater pride and satisfaction

There are new collectors of the regular issues who were not briefed properly in plate number collecting. They joined the ranks with a burst of enthusiasm like that of a freshly lighted match. These fall by the wayside mainly because their original energy only lasted as long as the proverbial match, that burns out with a faint glimmer of light, having been sparked by a large and brilliant flame seconds earlier.

The success of filling out a collection of the regular issues can seldom be determined by design. Just when, and how long it will take before it becomes complete and up to date is a matter of individual consistent effort. At one stage luck may be with you and many new numbers and positions will become readily available. At another time nothing seems to show up and at still other periods just a few at a time.

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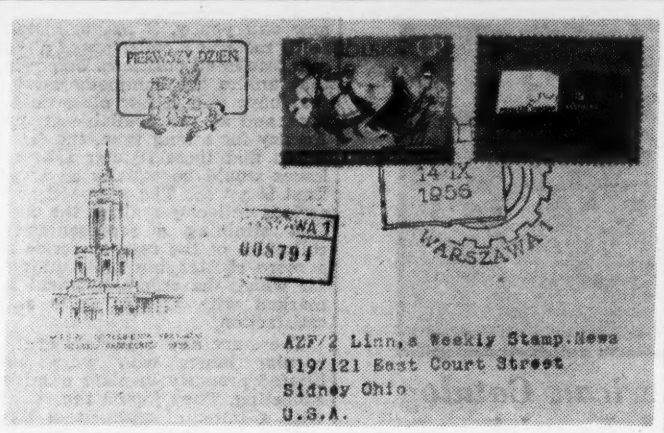
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Portugal To Have Mothers' Day Set

For Mother's Day Portugal has announced a set of two stamps, both of the same design, picturing a 15th Century statue of the Blessed Virgin and the Child Jesus. Release date is December 8.



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In 1948 the Airport Dedication Society was founded as the successor to the "Aero Dedicationist". The A. D. S. had to suspend operation in January 1954. Many of the original members felt that a dedication society was needed. A new society called "New Airport Dedication Society" is being formed. Former members of A.D.S. are invited to join.

A few of the benefits are a monthly newsletter, postal notification of coming events, state representatives who will hold covers, emergency cover service and free ads. As soon as enough members join election of officers will be held.

At the present Daniel Armstrong, 876 Honeysuckle Way, Louisville 13, Ky., is the editor.

On or about December 15 the Kentucky Air National Guard Jet Runway Base will be dedicated. Collectors desiring covers of this event, can send any amount of prepaid (6c) covers to Mr. Armstrong.

UN Changes Stamp Purchasing Set-Up

The UN Postal Administration announced today that as a result of the first day of issue of the UN Day stamps on October 24 303,560 covers received first day cancellation.

Because facilities are limited at the UN Postal Administration Sales Counter in the General Assembly Building, stamp dealers will not be able to have their orders serviced at the counter on the first day of issue of the Human Rights Day stamp, December 10. Sales at the counter on this day will be restricted to individual collectors; and stamp dealers should place their orders for mint stamps with the UN POSTAL Adminstration by mail prior to the date of issue, enclosing remittance for the stamps.

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American First Day Cover Society Meeting

More than four hundred people from ten states attended the American First Day Cover Society's First Annual Convention-Exhibition, at New York City's Collectors Club, on November 10-11. The Post Office Department operated a substation during the two-day meeting and a special convention station postmark was affixed to 8087 covers.

The grand award in the exhibition was won by Frederick L. Hill, of Brooklyn, N. Y., for his collection of Religion on Stamps.

Complete information about membership in the AFDCS will be sent upon request from the secretary, Norman H. Lee, 5263 Cobb Dr., Dayton 3, Ohio.

A feature of the convention was an exhibition of portions of former Postmaster-General James A. Farley's collection of autographed first day covers. The exhibit was loaned to the AFDCS by the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D. C., where it is housed.

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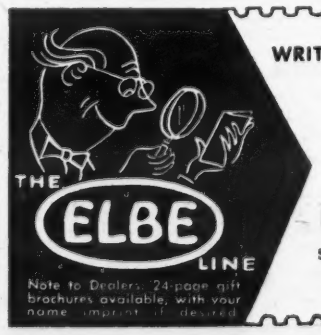
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Precancel NEWS

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SPLIT IMPRESSIONS

In every era of precancel collecting some degrees of condition that had not previously been of concern suddenly become important. Some of the older faults, like the old soldiers, just fade away. Others hauntingly remain with us to some degree.

In the good old days it was the straight-edges. Completely shunned by the orthodox collector and secretly saved by the far-sighted one who foresaw that some of the types of that day would be much sought after in the years to come straight-edge or no straight-edge.

At that time the perf initial items too were shunned by most every one. They still are not too highly accepted by collectors but now there are collectors who save perf initials for the perf initials themselves, little attention to what stamp it might be on.

When Bureau collecting arrived at its height, centering and condition were of prime importance and then someone noted that on most sheets the ENDS of the lines showed plainly on the stamps. This then was a fault that the faithful said was taboo.

One interesting and amusing situation that developed at this time was there were some collectors getting interested in plate number blocks and other selvedge markings such as the new electric-eye marks. These collectors could do nothing else but accept their stamps but with the end lines.

Now with the emphasis on TOWNS a lot of impressions happen where the end of the town name is to the extreme left of the stamp, the start and balance to the right. Of course these do not look too good in a collection but the point soon comes to a collector; is it a cancellation he is after or a manufactured novelty? So like in days of old the wise collector will use his judgment in rejecting such items.

As his experience increases he will be able to tell what his chances are of ever obtaining some certain precancel type and then he should make the decision of accepting or refusing a split cancellation stamp. As the years go by the prejudices of former days will soften and that collector will own some coveted items.

Use your own good judgment but weigh all facts carefully. This is not meant to convey the idea that a split cancellation item should be worth as much as a rightly cancelled one, but it should have a good percentage of a good item's value, depending on the other normal things that constitute a good stamp.

NOTES

I have been informed that the towns of SEWERAN and MAHWAH should be deleted from the NEW TOWN LIST that the COPC issued some months back. No evidence that they were ever authorized.

The Keystoner mailed from Wilmerding, Penna. — 1c Liberties used. The Pennsylvania count is 941 Towns and 1678 types.

A special mailing by the Golden Gate Precancel Club (of California) with the cooperation of the Village Stamp Mart, of Sta. C., Worcester, Mass. brought its members a long authorized but never reported town. Wrentham, Mass. Type U-120n.

Merchant Ships On Israel Stamps

According to information received from the Israel Philatelic Agency in America, Inc., a set of four new Israel stamps will be released early in 1957. It will consist of 10, 20, 30, and 1000 pruta values and colors have not yet been announced.



The 10pr shows a Jewish sailing vessel of around 100 A.D., and the design is taken from wall drawings found in caves at Beth Shearim in the vicinity of Haifa. This was the common type of sailing ship which plied the Mediterranean, Red and Indian Oceans.

The 20pr shows the sailing vessel "Nirit", built in 1910, used during the Israel-Egyptian War for the transportation of "illegal" Jewish immigrants to Israel.

The 30pr has the freighter "Shomron" of the Israel Merchant Marine, one of the newest and largest of that service.

On the 1000pr is the 10,000 ton passenger-cargo ship "Zion", which carries 313 passengers and 4000 tons of cargo and is based in Haifa port. The latter vessel belongs to the Zim Israel Navigation Company.

Israel artist Mrs. Miriam Karoly designed them. They will be executed in photogravure with the exception of the 10pr which is 4-color photolith. Paper is watermarked with the familiar "running stag"; perforation details have not been announced.

The 10, 20, and 30 pruta will be in sheets of 20 with 5 descriptive tabs.

The 1000pr will appear in a new format of 12 stamps with 3 descriptive tabs in each bottom row. Inscriptions are in both Hebrew and French.

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Dealer ★ ★ Doings

There is a new address for Shanahan's Stamp Auctions, Ltd. It is 39 Upper Gt. George St., Dun Laoghaire Co., Dublin, Ireland. The firm, which advertises regularly in Linn's is well known throughout the world for its auction sales. It also published the "Green I.S.L.E. Philately" a magazine devoted to the philately of Ireland.

The schedule of meetings of the Philatelic Foundation, 22 E. 35th St., New York 16, N. Y. for 1957 has been announced. These are set for the first Monday of every month with the exception of September when it is the second. Material for expertization must be placed in the Committee's hand at least twelve days prior to meetings.

H. A. Tuthill of Academy Stamps, 1766 N. W. 7th St., Miami 35, Fla. has just returned from a buying trip to Europe. He was able to make extensive purchases of mint and used Vatican which he offers via a price list for a 3c mint stamp. As a souvenir he will include a mint, uncirculated Vatican City coin free. The list includes coins.

A Christmas edition of "Stamp & Coin News" in 100 pages has been released by Gimbels Stamp and Coin Dept., 33rd St. and Broadway, New York 1, N.Y. and is free on request. It can also be obtained at the stamp departments operated by the Minkus organization in various cities. Popular sets of the world, albums and accessories are offered.

A 40-page pocket-size catalog of the Stamps of Israel has been received from the publisher, Yehuda H. Kolar, 5 Yad-Mordehay St., Givatyim, Israel. Material begins with the first issue of the nation and continues mint and used, with and without tabs through to date. First day covers, postage dues, plate blocks and officials are listed.

A fourth 1956 edition of the Stanley Gibbons, Inc. Price List of United States, Possessions, Philippine Islands, and British North American Stamps is now available at 15c postpaid from the firm at 38 Park Row, New York 38, N.Y. It is one of the mainstays of collectors of this material both for purchasing, and selling. Mention Linn's.

There was a mistake in a listing of the ad of Kenneth McKay, Houlton, Me. in the November 26 edition. Instead of Maldive Islands Nos. 13 to 41, it should have been Nos. 31 to 41 at $6. Purchasers should take note of this correction. In that same ad Mr. McKay made other offers of popular British Colonial material which he specializes.

In the next few months auctioneer John A. Fox, 110 W. 42nd St., New York 36, N.Y. will have four outstanding sales. There will be a splendid collection of United States and Foreign, a $100,000 airpost collection, another U.S. collection strong in 19th century mint blocks, and other items. Catalogs can be requested now for any or all auctions.

Of interest to the trade is the announcement by the Harold Cohn & Co., 3131 Lincoln Ave., Chicago 13, Ill. that a supplement has been issued and mailed, to the firm's Blue Ribbon Philatelic Line Catalog. The Cohn Co. handles a large number of printed and loose-leaf blank albums as well as all kinds of accessories for stamp and coin collectors.

A Price List devoted to Vatican City is anounced by Eugene Halterman, MC-53, Mahoning Ext., Warren, Ohio and can be had on request. Items included are from the beginning to date with stamps mint and used in sets, first day covers and maximum cards. Mr. Halterman's stock includes that of other European nations as well. Write your wants.

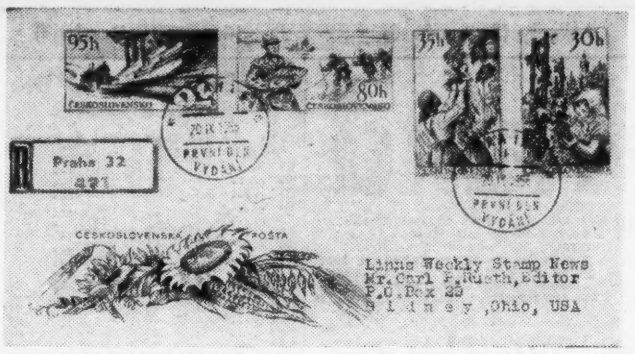
Three Stamps For Chilean University

Previously issued stamps of the current regular postage series of Chile, known as the Presidential, have been made usable for franking government mail with the addition of an overprint, applied diagonally, reading "OFICIAL".

Those so treated, according to Jose Galetovic, Casilla 10119, Santiago, Chile, are the $3 Freire, $5 Bulnes, $10 Pinto and $50 Montt.

On December 15 there will be a set of three commems for the 25th anniversary of the Universidad Federico Santa Maria. The school is located at Valparaiso. Denominations are to be 5 Pesos (regular) and 20P and 100P (airmails).

In conjunction with the stamps the university will be host to a stamp exhibition from December 15 to 31. The commems on first day covers cancelled at the show will have a special postmark affixed.



CZECHOSLOVAKIAN WEALTH. Natural resources of the nation are portrayed on a set of four stamps all produced from engraved plates. The 30h red has Grape Harvesting; 35h green, Picking Hops; 80h blue, Net Fishing; 95h brown, Timber Harvesting. Mario Stretti conceived the designs which were engraved by Jan Mracek, Jindra Schmidt, Ladislav Jirka and Jaroslav Goldschmeid respectively. The cover was sent by the Czechoslovakian Postal Administration.

AUCTIONS

Dec. 3—Alex S. Juliard, Narberth, Pa. Classics of the United States Britain & Colonies. Europe and Colonies.
Dec. 3—H. B. Zeitlin, 1795-L Riverside Dr., New York 34, N. Y. British Colonies. General Foreign.
Dec. 3-5—H.R. Harmer, Inc. 6 W. 48th St., New York 36, N.Y. General Foreign and Israel specialized.
Dec. 4—Hobbs Stamp Co., 38 Park Row,
Dec. 4-5—Mercury Stamp Co., 522 Fifth Ave., New York 36, N. Y. European Countries incl. Mees Collection.
New York 36, N. Y. United States and Foreign, mint and used.
Dec. 6-8—Ralph Orton 116-L Nassau St., New York 38, N.Y. U.S. 19th & 20th century incl sheets, revenues, Poss.
Dec. 12—Pasadena Stamp Co., 419 S. Grand Oaks Ave., Pasadena, Cal. British Empire, airs, German States, Collections.
Dec. 12—Earl P.L. Apfelbaum 1416 S. Penn Sq., Philadelphia 2, Pa. U.S and British Empire mint and used.
Dec. 12—Irving Gordon, 25 Beaver St., New York 4, N. Y. U. S. mint, used, Britain & Cols., Foreign, Whlse.
Dec. 15—Fritz Billig, 168-39 Highland Ave., Jamaica 32, N. Y. U. S., Europe, Latin America, Literature.
Dec. 17-19—H.R. Harmer, Inc., 6 W. 48th St., New York 36, N.Y. Postage Stamps of the World.
Jan. 7-8—H. R. Harmer, Inc., 6 W. 48th St., New York 36, N. Y. A specialized collection of Liberia.
Jan. 16-18—F. R. Ferryman, 505 Fifth Ave., New York 17, N. Y. U. S. General Foreign and Specialties.
Jan. 21-23—H. R. Harmer, Inc., 6 W. 48th St., New York 36, N. Y. Material from all the world.

EXHIBITION DATES

Dec. 15-16—Polonica, Polish National Home 19-23 St. Marks Pl., New York City.
Dec. 8-9—Beverly Hills Philatelic Society, Ridge Park Field House, 96th St. & Longwood Dr., Chicago, Ill.
Feb. 2-3—Cleveland Stamp Club, Hollenden Hotel, Cleveland, Ohio.
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The next four editions of a special nature are as follows:—

December 31 — International Ryukyuan Stamp And Coin Society.

January 28—Fine Arts Unit of the ATA.

February 25—International Society for Japanese Philately.

March 25—Confederate Stamp Alliance.

Further inquiries can be directed to this paper by interested dealers.

Clubs or societies agreeable to sponsoring a special edition can get the details on request.

Dr. Ruggero Benussi Receives APS Award

Dr. Ruggero Benussi of Bolzano, Italy received the American Philatelic Society Award of Distinction at the IX International Merano Philatelic Exhibition, September 13-16. The presentation was made by Marcello A. Giorni, International Relations Committee Advisory residing in Merano. Dr. Benussi exhibited a distinguished collection of specialized Jugoslavia, Croatia and Dalmatia.

The American Philatelic Society with the purpose of improving international good will offers awards at all important exhibitions held in foreign countries. This gesture results in much improved relations between collectors of the United States and the countries where the awards are made.

The report of American delegates to the conventions glow with the importance attached to these awards. There are also reports of much increased pen pal correspondence resulting from the activity which has been going on for over three years.

Foreign Trip Talk For R. P. S. Members

The Roosevelt Philatelic Society of Chicago, at their meeting on Tuesday, December 4, will feature a travelogue projected from color slides, giving the high-lights of an extended tour of Europe.

Secretary Van Reeth and his wife have recently returned from a trip taking them through ten different countries and members of the society have urgently requested a showing of his pictures.

The meeting will be held in the club rooms in the Grand Crossing Park Fieldhouse, 76th St. & Ingleside Ave. Interested persons are cordially invited to attend and spend a pleasant evening with a friendly group of fellow collectors.

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247-255	Exposition	.95	.37
256-267	Tree and Crossbow	1.15	1.00
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270-278	Historical	4.80	.15
281-283	Reclamation	.73	.19
284-286	3fr-10fr, on cream paper	6.70	.24
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B29-32	.24	.28
B33-36	.23	.27
B37-40	.24	.28
B41-44	.34	.29
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B150-153	.34	.29
B154-157	.42	.30
B158-161	.34	.29
B162-165	.38	.33
B166-169	.34	.29
B170-173	.39	.49
B174-177	.34	.36
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B191-195	.53	.45
B196-200	.69	.40
B201-205	.63	.43
B207-211	.63	.39
B212-216	.57	.39
B217-221	.57	.39
B222-226	.68	.39
B227-231	.57	.39
B232-236	.64	.39
B237-241	.57	.35
B242-246	.59	.33
B247-251	.60	.33
B252-256	.60	—

AIR POST — SETS

Cat.#s	Unused Set	Used Set
C1-2	$11.50	15.00
C3-9	3.55	3.55
C10-12	1.40	1.50
C13-14	3.50	2.70
C16-18	.93	1.50

Cat.#s	Unused Set	Used Set
C19-25	1.65	1.90
C27-34	3.90	.90
C37-39	.27	.20
C43-44	.75	.50

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POSTAGE DUES — SETS

Cat.#s	Unused Set	Used Set
J35-43	$ .83	$ .45
J45-47	.45	.50

Cat.#s	Unused Set	Used Set
J48-55	1.20	.45
J56-59	.65	.70
J60-67	.75	—

FRANCHISE — SETS

Cat.#s	Unused Set	Used Set
S1-6	$ 1.60	$ .45
S1a-6a	1.00	—
S7-9	1.80	.35
S10-12	1.35	.20

Cat.#s	Unused Set	Used Set
S10a-12a	1.50	—
S13-15	1.40	.18
S13a-15a	1.40	.45

OFFICIALS — SETS

Cat.#s		Unused Set	Canc. Set
O1-9	1938, Red Cross	$ 1.20	$ —
O10-18	50c-2fr, watermarked	4.90	—
O1a-9a	Grilled	—	2.25
O19-36	1932-5, Officiel	4.30	3.50
O19-27	Short set	—	.85
2-O31-34	1925-36, 90c-2fr	—	10.75
2-O31a-34a	Grilled	—	2.75
2-O42-46	1934-5, 3c-30c	—	.95
2-O47-55	1936-7, 3c-40c	.75	1.05
2-O57-60	1938, 20c-1fr	—	1.70
2-O61-64	1938, Circle overprint	—	1.65
2-O65-67	1939, Societe des Nations	7.00	7.10
2-O68-69	1942-3, 3 values	—	.30
2-O70-78	1944, Courrier	.85	.90
2-O88-90	3fr-10fr	7.25	9.00
3-O27a-30a	Grilled	—	4.75
3-O38-46	1936-7, 3c-40c	.78	.90
3-O49-52	1938, 20c-1fr	—	1.45
3-O53-56	Circle overprint	—	1.55
3-O57-59	3fr-10fr	6.75	8.00
3-O60-61	1942-3, 3 values	—	.30
3-O62-70	Courrier	.90	—
3-O80-82	3fr-10fr	7.25	2.00
3-O83-93	Bureau International due Travail	1.50	.75
4-O1-9	Bureau of Education	.90	1.00
4-O10-21	50c-10fr	10.25	12.00
4-O23-28	1948 complete	.58	.60
4-O29-39	1950 complete	1.65	—
5-O1-5	1948, World Health	.45	.50
5-O6-16	Short set	1.50	—
5-O6-25	5c-10fr	—	11.50

SWITZERLAND
SINGLE STAMPS

Cat.#	Unused	Used
8	—	$2.80
8b	—	2.70
10	—	2.50
12	—	4.50
15	—	3.00
16	—	1.20
22	—	2.00
23	—	2.25
26	—	1.50
29	—	2.40
31	—	10.00
36	4.50	.40
39	—	1.25
40	—	1.90
41	—	.15
42	.50	1.10
43	.08	.03
43a	—	.12
43b	—	.03
44	—	.04
45	.20	.09
45a	—	.14
46	—	.60
47	—	1.40
50	.65	1.25
52	.10	.04
52a	—	6.75
53	.10	.03
54	.35	.60
55	.15	.15
55a	.50	.25
56	—	.17
56a	—	1.25
58	.25	1.20
59	.90	1.10
60	.04	.25
61	.02	.12
62	.10	.12
63	.20	—
64	.10	1.20
65	.03	1.00
66	.06	—
67	.25	7.50
68	—	11.00
69	.07	.02
70	.12	.10
70a	1.00	.20
71	.30	.01
72	.28	.02
72a	—	.12
73	.28	.02
73a	1.25	.12
73b	—	1.00
74	—	.60
76	—	1.20
77	—	.90
78	—	.50
79	—	4.50
80	1.25	.04
81	.50	.03
81a	—	.12
82	—	.12
83	—	.15
84	—	.12
86	—	.30
90	.10	.01
91	.22	.01
92	.55	.05
93	.80	.02
94	1.75	.05
95	—	.25
96	—	.45
97	—	.60
98	—	.03
99	—	.03
100	—	.70
101	.18	.05
102	3.75	.60
104	—	.50
105	.20	.08
106	—	.20
107	.30	.10
108	—	.21
109	—	.30
110	—	.17
111	6.75	2.40
112	.35	.04
113	.10	.02
114	.25	—
115	.09	.02
116	.18	.01
117	.14	.03
118	—	.20
119	.18	—
120	.35	.20
123	.23	—
126	.03	.04
127	.04	.06
128	.08	.01
129	.14	.02
130	.08	.06
131	.23	.12
132	.15	.02
133	.14	.01
134	.14	.01
135	.15	.02
136	.45	.02
136a	.50	.80
137	.18	.01
137a	.30	.04
138	.75	.01
139	.30	.01
140	.40	.01
141	.90	.10
142	.45	.02
143	.45	.02
144	.65	.01
145	9.50	.07
146	.03	.02
147	.05	.05
148	.09	.01
149	.35	.07
150	.03	.01
151	.03	.01
152	.45	.05
153	.02	.01
154	.04	.03
155	.03	.04
156	.18	.12
157	.05	.01
158	.03	.02
159	.04	.01
160	.02	.01
161	.07	.02
162	.05	.01
162c	.08	.03
163	.05	.04
164	.08	.01
165	.06	.02
166	.27	.06
167	.06	.01
167a	.12	.12
168	.05	.01
168A	.05	.01
169	.05	.01
170	.06	.08
171	.08	.02
172	.10	.01
172b	.30	.02
173	.12	.03
174	.09	.01
175	.10	.02
176	.09	.01
177	.12	.04
178	.12	.01
179	.15	.03
180	.50	.01
181	—	.20
182	2.65	.05
183	4.15	.10
184	—	.10
185	—	1.35
186	.01	.02
187	.08	.10
188	.08	.05
189	1.00	.30
190	.07	.08
191	.07	.09
192	.07	.08
193	.02	.02
194	.03	.03
195	.02	.02
196	.04	.04
197	.07	.08
198	.20	.10
199	.09	.02
200	.75	.02
200a	.65	.03
201	.90	.02
201a	.75	.03
202	1.10	.02
202a	1.00	.03
203	1.60	.02
203a	1.25	.03
204	.08	.12
205	.18	.17
206	—	.12
207	.03	.04
208	.06	.08
209	—	.12
210	.04	.03
211	.06	.01
212	.11	.01
213	.15	.04
214	.65	.08
215	.85	.18
216	.07	.03
217	.07	.03
218	.15	.10
219	.05	.05
220	.04	.01
221	.05	.01
222	.12	.03
223	.10	.01
224	.30	.15
225	.75	.01
227	.02	.02
228	.03	.01
229	.08	.01
230	.06	.02
230B	.05	.02
231	.09	.02
232	.24	.01
233	.11	.03
234	.17	.01
235	.15	.06
236	.23	.02
237	.05	.02
238	.10	.01
239	.14	.03
240	.25	.04
241	.60	.35
243	.10	.02
244	2.00	.35
245	2.75	.35
246	5.50	.25
247	.06	.01
248	.10	.01
249	.22	.12
250	.05	.01
251	.08	.02
252	.25	.07
253	.05	.03
254	.09	.03
255	.32	.12
256	.04	.06
257	.07	.06
258	.12	.06
259	.18	.30
260	.05	.03
261	.08	.05
262	.11	.06
263	.18	.12
264	.05	.07
265	.08	.12
266	.20	.07
267	.30	.30
268	.06	.02
269	.18	.13
270	.80	.01
271	1.00	.01
272	.80	.02
273	.35	.02
274	.35	.01
275	.40	.01
276	.50	.02
277	.60	.07
278	.90	.02
279	.04	.02
280	.05	.02
281	.10	.03
282	.04	.02
283	.70	.18
284	1.20	.08
285	2.10	.12
286	4.25	.12
287	.04	.04
290	.05	.03
291	.08	.03
292	.19	.18
293	.04	.04
294	.05	.02
295	.11	.02
296	.19	.06
297	.24	.22
298	.65	.60
299	.50	.15
300	1.00	1.50
301	.90	2.00
302	1.80	2.50
303	1.25	2.25
304	3.00	3.50
305	3.25	4.00
306	.04	.02
307	.04	.02
308	.04	.05
309	.06	.04
310	.07	.03
311	.17	.17
312	.04	.05
313	.08	.03
314	.04	.03
315	.20	.10
316	.04	.02
317	.03	.02
318	.12	.02
319	.30	.08
320	.15	.08
321	.20	.02
322	.05	.06
323	.17	.25
324	.22	.25
325	.06	.09
326	.12	.05
327	.10	.20
328	.25	.25
329	.03	.01
330	.09	.01
331	.07	.02
332	.06	.01
333	.16	.02
334	.10	.01
335	.20	.06
336	.10	.01
337	.27	.01
338	.23	.01
339	.27	.10
340	.05	.02
341	.06	.02
342	.10	.02
343	.15	.12
344	.20	.19
345	.07	.04
346	.14	.04
347	.05	.03
348	.08	.06
349	.12	.12
350	.18	.12
351	.06	.04
352	.08	.04
353	.10	.04
354	.17	.10
355	.04	.04
356	.05	.03
357	.10	.04
358	.20	.12

SWITZERLAND
SINGLE STAMPS

Cat.#	Unused	Used
B196	.02	.03
B197	.13	.03
B198	.19	.03
B199	.25	.18
B200	.30	.20
B201	.05	.06
B202	.09	.05
B203	.12	.08
B204	.17	.20
B205	.22	.22
B207	.04	.02
B208	.08	.02
B209	.15	.04
B210	.20	.16
B211	.29	.27
B212	.05	.05
B213	.09	.04
B214	.10	.06
B215	.20	.15
B216	.23	.15
B217	.06	.02
B218	.11	.05
B219	.16	.10
B220	.19	.15
B221	.23	.18
B222	.08	.03
B223	.10	.06
B224	.14	.08
B225	.19	.15
B226	.22	.18
B227	.02	.02
B228	.09	.09
B229	.14	.12
B230	.19	.18
B231	.17	.18
B232	.04	.06
B233	.09	.03
B234	.13	.06
B235	.22	.20
B236	.27	.20
B237	.04	.04
B238	.09	.07
B239	.13	.07
B240	.18	.13
B241	.22	.18
B242	.06	.06
B243	.08	.04
B244	.12	.05
B245	.20	.12
B246	.25	.15
B247	.05	.04
B248	.10	.04
B249	.12	.04
B250	.20	.12
B251	.25	.15

AIR POST

Cat.#	Unused	Used
C1	$10.50	14.00
C2	2.10	2.60
C3	.20	.25
C4	.08	.06
C5	.35	.25
C6	1.35	1.50
C7	1.35	1.35
C8	.33	.38
C9	.90	.50
C9a	.30	.15
C10	.27	.15
C11	1.10	1.35
C12	.48	.15
C13	1.25	1.35
C14	2.50	1.65
C15	.90	.50
C16	.07	.15
C17	.12	.27
C18	.90	1.35
C19	.60	.95
C20	.07	.08
C21	.09	.10
C22	.06	.04
C23	.45	.50
C24	.35	.53
C25	.33	.57
C25a	4.25	—
C26	—	.43
C27	.18	.05
C28	.28	.04
C29	.15	.04
C30	.27	.05
C31	.40	.10
C32	.58	.06
C33	.90	.22
C34	2.50	.38
C35	.68	1.00
C36	.58	.75
C37	.06	.02
C38	.10	.03
C39	.15	.18
C40	1.20	2.00
C41	.70	1.50
C42	1.25	1.35
C43	.40	.25
C44	.45	.25
C45	.70	1.50

POSTAGE DUES

J2	$ —	$ .11
J4	—	.40
J5	—	.60
J6	—	.21
J7	—	1.00
J8	—	.80
J9	—	1.35
J10	—	1.50
J11	—	4.25
J21	.04	.05
J22	.65	—
J23	—	.06
J23a	—	.50
J24	—	.06
J24a	—	.30
J25	—	.06
J25a	—	.30
J26	.60	.17
J26a	—	1.00
J27	—	.05
J28	—	1.35
J28a	—	1.25
J29	.04	.05
J31	—	.08
J32	—	.25
J33	—	.08
J34	—	.09
J35	.02	.05
J36	.03	.03
J37	.03	.04
J38	.07	.02
J39	.08	.08
J40	.11	.05
J41	.14	.05
J42	.12	.06
J43	.25	.10
J44	.03	.05
J45	.20	.20
J46	.20	.12
J47	.20	.20
J48	.04	.06
J49	.08	.03
J50	.12	.06
J51	.11	.02
J52	.20	.08
J53	.18	.08
J54	.25	.05
J55	.30	.09
J56	.10	.14
J57	.12	.08
J58	.16	.15
J59	.23	.28
J60	.02	.02
J61	.03	.02
J62	.08	.12
J63	.07	.02
J64	.12	.05
J65	.13	.04
J66	.15	.02
J67	.22	.08

FRANCHISE

Cat.#	Unused Pair	Used Pair
S1	$ .02	$ .06
S2	.30	.05
S3	.12	.03
S4	.18	.02
S5	.90	.25
S6	.40	.12
S7	.60	.16
S8	.38	.08
S9	1.00	.15
S10	.55	.15
S11	.35	.02
S12	.55	.05
S13	.55	.07
S14	.40	.09
S15	.45	.04
S1a	.04	.40
S2a	.14	.75
S3a	.03	1.00
S4a	.05	1.25
S5a	.33	1.75
S6a	.65	1.75
S10a	.45	1.00

SWITZERLAND
SINGLE STAMPS

Cat.#	Unused	Canc
S11a	.55	1.50
S12a	.70	2.00
S13a	.55	.12
S14a	1.00	.15
S15a	.45	.23

OFFICIALS

Cat. #	Unused	Canc
O1	$ .08	$ .03
O1a	—	.08
O2	.08	.12
O2a	—	.08
O3	.50	.16
O3a	—	.16
O4	.09	.12
O4a	—	.16
O5	.12	.06
O5a	—	.16
O6	.15	.18
O6a	—	1.00
O7	.17	.08
O7a	—	.27
O8	.20	.22
O8a	—	.36
O9	.25	.15
O9a	—	.40
O10	.35	.18
O11	.65	.30
O12	.50	.40
O13	.55	.45
O14	1.00	.50
O15	.70	.75
O16	.75	.45
O17	1.00	1.10
O18	1.25	1.35
O19	.04	.05
O20	.05	.03
O21	.06	.06
O21A	.05	.04
O22	.08	.07
O23	.10	.08
O24	.12	.08
O25	.15	.09
O26	.10	16
O27	.18	.10
O28	.27	.18
O30	.40	.30
O31	.30	.25
O32	.35	.25
O33	.40	.35
O34	.50	.40
O35	.75	.50
O36	.85	.90
O37	—	.07
O40	—	.07
O41	—	.10
O42	—	.11
O43	—	.13
O44	—	.15
O47	—	.23
O48	—	.25
1-O1	2.65	—
1-O2	.60	—
1-O4	.60	—
1-O5	.55	—
1-O6	5.75	—
1-O7	3.00	—
1-O8	2.00	—
1-O10	.90	—
1-O11	.30	—
1-O12	1.15	—
1-O14	.23	—
1-O15	.35	—
1-O16	1.35	—
2-O1	—	.06
2-O2	—	1.75
2-O2a	—	1.00
2-O3	—	.60
2-O4	—	.16
2-O5	—	.25
2-O7	—	.08
2-O8	—	.10
2-O9	—	.25
2-O10	—	.17
2-O14	—	.70
2-O16	—	2.00
2-O17	—	2.25
2-O18	—	1.75
2-O20	—	.18
2-O22	—	2.25
2-O22a	.25	.35
2-O23	—	.30
2-O24	—	7.50
2-O24a	.45	.60
2-O25	—	.45
2-O25a	.70	.60
2-O26	—	1.00
2-O26a	—	.60
2-O27	—	2.70
2-O28	—	2.70
2-O31a	—	1.00
2-O32a	.75	.80
2-O33a	.60	.80
2-O34a	.75	1.00
2-O35	—	11.50
2-O37	—	.20
2-O38	—	.18
2-O40	—	1.50
2-O41	—	1.20
2-O42	—	.05
2-O43	—	.10
2-O44	—	.25
2-O45	—	.55
2-O46	—	.15
2-O47	.03	.03
2-O48	.04	.06
2-O49	—	.20
2-O49a	—	1.00
2-O50	.14	.08
2-O52	.20	.22
2-O53	.16	.15
2-O53a	—	.25
2-O54	.25	.15
2-O55	.25	—
2-O57	—	.25
2-O58	—	.30
2-O59	—	.50
2-O60	—	1.15
2-O61	—	.20
2-O62	—	.45
2-O63	—	.60
2-O64	—	.95
2-O65	1.80	1.80
2-O66	2.60	2.60
2-O67	4.40	4.40
2-O68	—	.13

SOUVENIR SHEETS

Cat.#		Unused Sheet	Canc. Sheet
226	Naba	$12.70	11.00
242	Aaru	1.10	1.05
351a	Philatelic Exposition	.78	—
B80	Pro Patria	1.30	1.75
B89	Pro Juventute	.27	.53
B105	National Fete	5.35	8.50
B116	Winterhilfe	2.00	3.15
B119	Geneva	1.25	2.15
B130	Centenary, large	1.75	4.00
B131	Centenary, small	1.40	2.15
B132	Arms of Geneva	1.20	1.75
B143	Lifeboat	3.20	3.90
B144	Dove of Basel	1.40	1.50
B178	Imaba	.97	1.20
B206	Lubana	2.05	1.95

TETE-BECHE PAIRS

Cat.#	Unused Pair	Used Pair
133a	$ 2.50	$2.50
146a	.25	.40
148a	.60	—
150a	.30	.30
151a	.35	.60
152a	3.50	5.00
153a	.25	.30
157a	.30	.45
162a	1.25	1.50
164a	.35	—
167b	.35	.45
168a	.12	.08
168Ab	.20	.15
169a	.40	.30
172c	5.00	—
174a	.20	.25
175a	.25	.20
176a	.40	.35
193a	.10	.20
195a	1.10	1.75
197a	.30	.90
199a	.23	.35
220a	.20	.15
221a	.25	.15
222a	.30	.25
223a	.30	—
228a	.08	.08
229a	.20	.20
230a	—	.18
230Bd	.11	.12
232a	1.00	.90
243a	.18	.15
316a	.08	.04
317a	.15	.12
318a	.20	.06
329a	.05	.03
330a	.10	.05
332a	.25	.08
B2a	3.25	—

GERMANY
OFFICES AND COLONIES

Offices in China

Cat.#	Unused	Used
1	$ —	$ .25
1a	.35	.35
1b	.40	.30
2	.12	.12
2a	—	.30
3	.30	.27
3a	.45	—
4	.80	.45
4a	.60	.25
5	1.40	1.30
5a	3.75	2.75
6	.85	—
6a	1.50	.35
24	.12	—
25	.10	—
26	—	.09
27	—	.10
28	.55	.90
29	.60	.85
30	—	.50
31	.40	—
32	.60	.50
33	2.50	—
34	1.80	1.20
37	—	.12
39	—	.10
40	.20	.06
43	2.75	—
46	—	1.60
47	.05	—
48	.06	.07
49	—	.05
50	.15	.85
51	.20	.40
52	.25	—
53	.40	—
54	.70	1.20
55	1.20	6.50
56	1.25	—

Offices in Morocco

Cat.#	Unused	Used
1	.18	.18
2	.18	.20
3	.55	—
4	.85	—
5	1.35	1.60
6	1.50	1.60
7	.12	.12
8	.15	.08
9	.15	—
10	—	.15
11	.60	—
12	.50	—
13	.55	—
14	1.10	—
15	.85	.90
16	2.50	—
20	.33	—
21	.37	.15
22	—	.12
23	1.35	.45
24	.90	1.35
25	.95	.65
26	1.25	—
27	.25	—
32A	.12	—
33	—	.06
34	.06	.05
35	.06	.06
36	.09	.10
37	—	.90
38	.15	.25
39	1.25	—
45	.03	.06